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PRASHAD works atop Chamundi Hill

'Let Hill remain a Hill, not a concrete mass'

Protest walk seeks a full-fledged Environmental Impact Assessment

SAVE CHAMUNDI HILL: ***Pramoda Devi Wadiyar addressing the environmentalists, volunteers and students at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning.***

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (GA&BCT)- In the second major campaign against further development works atop Chamundi Hill, aimed at safeguarding its heritage and fragile environment, hundreds of Mysureans — children, youth and the elderly — climbed the thousand steps of the Hill this morning, urging the preservation of its religious, spiritual and cultural significance.

The protest walk, organised by 'Parisarakkagi Naavu' and various other organisations against the ongoing construction works under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD), highlighted concerns over environmental degradation.

Environmentalists, progressive thinkers and schoolchildren participated, underscoring the Hill's ecological and cultural significance. Students carried placards reading "Development should not bury the environment," "We need eco-friendly progress, not destructive growth," and "No to turning the Hill into a concrete jungle."

Participants warned that excessive construction could trigger landslides and cause irreversible damage to the sacred Hill. Addressing the gathering, Member of the erstwhile Mysore Royal Family, Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, said protecting Chamundi Hill was a collective responsibility.

"For the past 30 years, our family has personally worked to safeguard the Hill. Now the public has joined us. Our common goal is to ensure that Chamundi remains a Hill, not a concrete mass," she said.

(See HILL on page 7)

Nirmala Sitharaman presents Union Budget

No change in Income Tax

New Delhi, Feb. 1 (Agencies)- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman made history this morning as she presented a record ninth consecutive Budget in the Parliament.

This will take Sitharaman closer to the record of 10 budgets that were presented by former PM Morarji Desai over different time periods. She will continue to hold the record of presenting the maximum number of budgets on the trot — nine straight budgets under Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

She was appointed as India's first full-time woman Finance Minister in 2019 when Prime Minister Narendra Modi won a decisive second term. After Modi came back to power in 2024 for the third time, Sitharaman continued to retain her finance portfolio.

The Finance Minister kept income tax rates and slabs unchanged following last year's major tax reforms. While basic tax structure remains the same, Finance Minister announced several measures aimed at simplifying tax compliance and providing relief to taxpayers.

Nirmala Sitharaman

Luxury watches, liquor, cigarettes get costlier

She proposed extending the timeline for revising income tax returns from Dec. 31 to March 31 with a nominal fee.

She also suggested staggered deadlines for filing returns: individuals using ITR-1 and ITR-2 will continue to file by July 31, while non-audit business cases and trusts will have time until Aug. 31.

(See BUDGET on page 7)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 1st February 2026

City's Early Childhood Educationist for World Summit at Dubai

Dr. Selva Kumar

Mysuru, Feb. 1- City's Early Childhood Educationist and Professor in Education Dr. S. Selva Kumar has been invited to attend World Education Summit on Reimaging Education for a Global World, Technology, Inclusion and Skills to be held at Dubai on Feb. 4 and 5.

Dr. Selva Kumar has been invited as Panel Moderator for a discussion on Emotional Intelligence in Early Childhood Education and Resilience to prepare Preschool children for school life.

This Education Summit will set the benchmark as the world's most influential platform for the exchange of bold ideas, breakthrough innovations and impactful collaboration in the preschool education.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

HOW POSITIVE WORDS TRANSFORM RELATIONSHIPS: ***Choice of words helps us avoid hurting people while at the same time conveying what we have in mind. 'It is about taking control of your words,' a friend recently remarked.***

Once I was having a discussion with a colleague over how to build a consensus amongst our team members on an issue; we thought there could be divergence of views. He completely disarmed me with a flattering fiat, 'Will let you take that lead.' Had the phrasing been 'Will you take that lead?' the listening impact would have been rather negative. How the insertion of a small word, 'let', in the sentence changed the colour and flavour of the meaning.

The tone also varies with the text. The utterance of positive words automatically assumes positive tone. I recall another instance of positive speaking. A friend seemed annoyed over a remark I casually made. Realising that it did not go down well, I asked, "Are you offended?" To the credit of my friend, he simply said 'sort of,' instead of flatly saying 'yes.' 'Sort of' took away the bluntness that a 'yes' would have inflicted.

We commonly believe that thinking influences speaking. However, the hypothesis can be true vice versa also. Positive speaking is also likely to induce positive thinking. If we consciously cultivate positive speaking and weigh our words before uttering them, it would gradually germinate positive thinking also. Positive speaking will yield positive results as it strikes the right chords with the target audience.

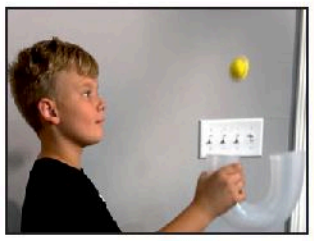
The purpose of communication is to convey what you have in mind. It is not to hurt or offend others. Words should not be used as barbs. Words become weapons in the mouths of couples indulging in internecine warfare. Nobody likes to hear accusing words. Instead of saying 'you haven't done this' or 'you haven't done that,' try to say, 'Please do this.' Words can either be like flowers you are offering to or like stones you are throwing at your listeners. Whatever you offer, the same stuff bounces on you eventually.

The art of communication lies in speaking what you have in mind without sounding like you are accusing or being sarcastic. Positive speaking is bound to yield positive outcome. Words are a potent tool. It is preferable to sound cool rather than like a fool.

— Chander Gupta in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

11-year-old juggler breaks record



Wisconsin: An 11-year-old juggler from Wisconsin broke a Guinness World Record by using a pindaloo to make 51 rotations in under 30 seconds.

Caleb Hunter used his pindaloo — a u-shaped juggling tool that takes a ball in one hole and spits it out the other — to break the record for the most loops of a ball with a pindaloo in 30 seconds, in the under-16 category. "It goes out the front, it loops over back towards you, and it lands in the one that you're holding," he said.

"Every time I practiced I usually dropped the ball before 30 seconds was over. The first time I did it I got it and the ball fell exactly after 30 seconds passed, so even if I did make it one more time it wouldn't have counted, so it was like perfect."

2-year-old breaks two world records

England: A toddler pool prodigy in England has already broken two Guinness World Records for playing pool and snooker before his third birthday.

Jude Owen broke the record for the youngest person to make a snooker double pot at the age of 2 years and 261 days old.

"A double pot in snooker is when two balls are legally potted with a single strike of the cue ball, into different pockets," Guinness World Records explained in a news release.

Owens followed up the feat by breaking the record for youngest person to make a pool bank shot at the age of 2 years and 302 days old.

"A bank shot in pool is when the cue ball is struck to hit the object ball off one or more rails before it enters a pocket," GWR said.

The boy's father, Luke Owens, said he knew Jude would excel at the sport from the first time he picked up a cue.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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By Dr. Satheesh Rao A K - Senior Consultant – Medical Gastroenterology & Hepatology, Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Receives Vishva Hindi Setu Sammaan at Mauritius

Mysuru, Feb. 1- Dr. B. Nirmala, an Associate Professor, Head of Department of Hindi (retd.), Writer, Poet, Social Activist, Senior NSS Officer, Cricketer and Motivational Speaker of Mysuru city, was honoured with 'Vishva Hindi Setu Sammaan' award at the 3-day International Conference and Poets Meet held at Mauritius, on the occasion of World Hindi Day celebrations from Jan. 9 to 12.

Dr. Shubhankar Mishra, Deputy Secretary of Vishva Hindi Secretariat, Dr. Rohini Ramroop, President of Hindi Pracharini Sabha, Mauritius and Manoj Kumar, Sahitya Sanchay Shodh Samstha, India, presented the award.

Dr. Nirmala read her poem, 'Louta do Bachpan,' which was appreciated by the audience at Vishava Hindi Secretariat Hall. She also presented her paper on Social Media and Hindi.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **119.54 feet**	Today's level **2,274.95 feet**	Today's level **2,830.37 feet**
Last year's level **120.04 feet**	Last year's level **2,279.37 feet**	Last year's level **2,836.74 feet**
Yesterday's level **119.78 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,275.00 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,830.32 feet**
Today's Inflow **297 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **255 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **262 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **3,601 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **500 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Clownfish are all born males. Once they become female, they cannot be male again.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

President Lincoln was approached by a woman after a political speech... 'If you were my husband I would poison your tea.' Lincoln replied... 'If you are my wife I'll gladly drink it!'

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 91.71
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 125.51
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 24.97
1 Euro	= Rs. 108.78

VOICE OF THE READER

Autos Vs bike taxis: Let the public choose their vehicle

Sir,

Reading the news item titled 'Auto drivers assault bike taxi passenger' in *SOM* dated Jan.24 reminded me of my childhood days in the 1960s and early 1970s.

In those days, the very Railway Station, where the above incident happened, used to be full of horse-drawn tongas. We would bargain with the tongawallah for a long time and strike a bargain to reach home.

But then the auto made its presence. Now, for the same fare, one could reach home faster.

The number of autos increased quickly. The tongawallahs gradually vanished from the streets. Maybe they took to other vocations.

But one big change had arrived in the city. It looks like the autowallahs are facing the same situation as the tongawallahs did then. But there is more to it than that. It is a question of fairness, of being exploited, of one's safety.

Now, I have used the bike taxis and even cabs that come to the very door to pick one up. I find the bike taxis very convenient when I am alone, especially when I have less luggage.

They are faster and cheaper. They are also more polite than the autowallahs. I also find that sometimes cabs are actually less expensive than the autos themselves.

The commute is more comfortable and one can carry more luggage too. Now, don't the public have the right to choose which vehicle to hire?

The prepaid counters set up by the authorities don't function often. These autowallahs tend to exploit the situation by demanding higher fares than normal. No one uses the mandatory meter now. No one has faith in it also because it used to be manipulated by the majority of them.

The Rapido and other Online apps come as a big advantage because the fares are fixed and notified in advance. Also, there is another advantage.

The movement of the vehicle can be monitored by the anxious parents from home. They know the number of the vehicle in which their daughter is travelling, even the name of the driver.

It is for these very reasons why I request the Police to take action on those autowallahs who come in the way of the passengers and the vehicles that operate on online apps.

—P.L. Jothindra
Ramakrishnanagar
25.1.2026

Metagalli residents seek action over industrial pollution

Residents of Metagalli submitting a memorandum to Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) official against industrial pollution in the area.

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (BCT)- A section of residents of Metagalli has approached the District Administration and the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB), seeking urgent intervention against what they describe as unbearable industrial pollution in the Metagalli-Hebbal Industrial Estate.

In a representation submitted to KSPCB Senior Environmental Officer and Deputy Commissioner, Brigade Symphony Owners' Association (BSOA), Metagalli, expressed serious concern over worsening situation, stating that thousands of residents are being affected by foul odours, contaminated water and hazardous industrial emissions.

According to Association, the problem has intensified despite repeated complaints. Residents have reported that the chemical stench becomes particularly severe during weekends, spreading across surrounding neighbourhoods and making daily life increasingly difficult.

The representation pointed to adverse health impacts, including breathing problems and skin allergies. Children, senior citizens and people with respiratory illnesses are said to be the most vulnerable.

Warning that unchecked emissions and water pollution could trigger a major public health crisis, the Association said the pollution also poses a serious threat to local ecosystem.

The Association accused certain industries in the area of violating environmental norms with impunity by releasing pollutants into the air and water round-the-clock. It said residents are subjected to persistent foul odours and noise pollution, affecting their quality of life both day and night.

Urging immediate action, the Association appealed KSPCB to conduct a comprehensive investigation into the sources of pollution, particularly the spike in emissions during weekends and to initiate stringent legal action, including heavy penalties, against units found repeatedly violating environmental regulations.

KSPCB officials collect water samples

KSPCB officials, responding to Metagalli residents' complaint, visited the spot and collected water samples from the area. While the officers expressed empathy with the residents' concerns, they informed them that enforcement action would have to be initiated by the Board's Bengaluru Office, as they were not decision-making authorities. A recommendation has been made for a forensic study to identify the source of pollution, nature of effluents and industries responsible.

Training in paperless registration from tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 1- As a measure in the implementation of paperless system, the Department of Registration and Stamps will be conducting training for deed writers, advocates and members of the public at the Sub-Registrar Offices across the District on different dates from Feb. 2 to 4.

The training will take place on Feb. 2 at Bettadapura and H.D. Kote Sub-Registrar Offices at 12.30 pm; Periyapatna and Hunsur Sub-Registrar Offices at 4.30 pm; on Feb. 3 at Mirle, Bannur and T. Narasipur Sub-Registrar Offices at 12.30 pm; Nanjangud and K.R. Nagar Sub-Registrar Offices at 4.30 pm; on Feb. 4 at Mysuru North Sub-Registrar Office at 12.30 pm and Mysuru West Sub-Registrar Office at 4.30 pm.

NEWS BRIEFS

CMA course: Last date extended

The Institute of Cost Accountants of India, Mysuru Chapter, has announced that the last date for admission to Foundation, Intermediate and Final Course of CMA (Cost and Management Accountants) is extended till Feb. 10 for June 2026 term examination. Interested candidates may contact Mysuru Chapter of The Institute of Cost Accountants of India at #1420, 7th Cross, Krishnamurthypuram, opp. Jayanagar MysoreOne, Mysuru - 570004, between 10 am to 12 noon and 5 pm to 7.30 pm on all working days. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2331083 or Mob: 97317-89222 or 99001-11552, according to a press release.

Coaching classes

Netaji Education Foundation, located opposite Avila Convent on Krishna Vilas Road, near Jaganmohan Palace, Devaraja Mohalla, has organised a 3-month long coaching classes for the written exam for recruitment to Railway Group-D posts. The coaching classes will commence from tomorrow (Feb. 2). For registration and details, contact Mob: 63641-16745 or 94807-09611.

K.C. Layout Lake encroachment issue raised in Assembly

T.S. Srivatsa

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (BCT)- The issue of an alleged encroachment of a lake in K.C. Layout (Kempu Cheluvajammanni Layout), near the foothills of Chamundi, was raised in the Legislative Assembly on Friday.

Raising the matter, Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa drew the Government's attention to the sudden construction of a compound wall around the lake area and criticised officials for their delay in taking action.

Speaking in the House, he said that the lake had been encroached upon, but officials concerned had failed to initiate any corrective measures so far. He expressed displeasure over the continued inaction.

According to the MLA, the land falls under Kurubarahalli Survey No. 4 and is being claimed as private property. However, official maps of the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) clearly indicate that the area is classified as a lake.

Law and order

Referring to the deteriorating law and order situation, Srivatsa said that a Mysuru Congress Spokesperson had, at a press conference, alleged that Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Minister V. Somanna were responsible for the unrest in Ballari, claiming that Somanna's visit to the district had led to a murder. "Although a complaint was lodged against the Spokesperson fifteen days ago, no FIR has been registered so far," he said.

The MLA also spoke about what he termed as misinformation being spread about the Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB – G RAM G) Act, 2025.

Clarifying the provisions of the law, Srivatsa said that while Rs. 33,000 crore had been allocated for MGNREGA in the 2013 Budget, the current allocation stands at Rs. 2.86 lakh crore.

He said, false claims were being circulated that the revised law had removed the 100-day employment guarantee, that no work would be available during the harvest season and that all decisions would be taken solely by the Union Government.

"In reality, the guaranteed number of workdays has been increased to 125, with additional employment possible based on demand," he said, adding that States have also been given the option to declare up to 60 days of leave, which would benefit agricultural activities.

He said that permanent asset creation and projects of national importance would be decided at the local Gram Sabha level, ensuring community participation.

UGD water flowing to Lingambudhi Lake

MLA inspects spot, assures solution

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (MK&BS)- Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) has issued instructions to the officers, to prepare an estimate for the works to permanently arrest the flow of UGD water towards Lingambudhi Lake and to take up the repair works of Raja Kaluve.

He was speaking after inspecting the Raja Kaluve, near Kautilya Vidyalaya at Kanakadasanagar 2nd Stage, Dattagalli, near Outer Ring Road (ORR) Junction in city on Wednesday.

GTD said, if the estimate is prepared, he shall be discussing the same, after calling for a meeting with Deputy Commissioner, comprising officers from Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), Mysuru Development Authority (MDA), Forest Department and various other Departments, to find out a solution for the civic issues.

Acknowledging the need to check the flow of UGD water to Lingambudhi Lake, Devegowda said, the sewage water is flowing back in a reverse direction and clogging at the manholes, thus causing the overflow of sewage water, only to severely inconvenience the nearby residents. If the steps are taken to ensure that, only storm water flows through the Raja Kaluve, cleanliness can be maintained in the lake, he added.

Earlier, residents M.N. Nataraj and Nagendra submitted a memorandum to Devegowda, urging the latter to build a retaining wall around the Raja Kaluve at the earliest, along with taking up repair works of UGD pipeline network. There are frequent instances of UGD line at Dattagalli, Kanakadasanagar, getting blocked. Moreover, the damage to the UGD line is facilitating the leakage of sewage water, that is later reaching the lake.

MCC Commissioner Shaikh Tanveer Asif assured to take up the works, after obtaining the details on the places where new pipeline has to be installed and retaining wall has to be built, along with preventing the flow of sewage water to Lingambudhi Lake.

ACF Ravindra, MCC Superintending Engineer Manjunath, MCC Zone-3 Development Officer Satyamurthy, Executive Engineer of Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board (KUWS&DB) Asif Iqbal Khaleel, MCC UGD Section Executive Engineer Shilpa, Assistant Executive Engineers (AEE) Dhanush, Srinivas and Ashwin were present.

Obituary

Hajira Banu

Mysuru, Feb. 1- Hajira Banu (55), wife of Afsar Pasha and a resident of Bannimatap, passed away following brief illness this morning in city. She leaves behind her husband, one daughter, three sons, brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be performed today after Magrib prayers (6.30 pm) at Tipu Masjid in Bannimantap 2nd Stage followed by the burial at the Bada Makan Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Abdul Rehman

Abdul Rehman (66), electrical contractor and a resident of Udayagiri, passed away following cardiac arrest this morning in city. He leaves behind his wife, one son, two daughters, brothers, sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be performed at 10.30 am tomorrow (Feb. 2) at the Muslim Burial Grounds Prayer Hall near Tipu Circle, followed by the burial.

T.S. Chandrashekar

T.S. Chandrashekar (82), retired Manager of State Bank of Mysore and a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away following brief illness this morning in city.

He leaves behind his wife Sharadha, daughters Dr. Deepa Shekar & Mangala Shekar, sons-in-law & a host of relatives and friends. Last rites will be held tomorrow (Feb. 2) at 11 am in city.

Hazrath Hafiz Muhammed Jalaluddin

Hazrath Hafiz Muhammed Jalaluddin (66), former Khateeb-o-Imam of Masjid Fazil on Akbar Road, passed away following brief illness this morning in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Namaz-e-Janaza will be held today after Magrib prayers (6.30 pm) followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

J.B. Sudarshan

J.B. Sudarshan (77), a resident of Brindavan Extension, passed away this morning in city.

He leaves behind his wife J.S. Chandrika, son J.S. Kiran and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill today, according to family sources.

Nayaz Ahmed Shariff

Nayaz Ahmed Shariff (71) of Ambal Snuff at Devaraja Market and a resident of Bannimantap 'A' Layout, passed away yesterday in city. Son of late Jaffar Shariff, he leaves behind two daughters, 3 sisters, 2 brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was performed yesterday after Asar Salath at Masjid Eidgah on Mission Hospital Road, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to family sources.

600-kg dry waste cleared in Chamundi foothill plogging

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (MTY&BCT)- In an effort to secure the top spot for Mysuru in the Swachh Bharat national cleanliness rankings, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) had organised a large-scale plogging campaign (an eco-friendly fitness activity that combines jogging, walking, or hiking with litter collection) at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

The initiative, organised yesterday, witnessed enthusiastic participation, with volunteers collecting dry waste and spreading awareness about cleanliness.

As part of the Swachh Survekshan 2.0 campaign, the MCC also conducted a dry waste collection competition. Students from various colleges, NCC cadets, members of women's organisations and the general public joined hands to strengthen Mysuru's cleanliness mission.

During the *Shramadan* drive at the Chamundi foothill, more than 200 participants, including students of Phoenix International Academy and NSS and NCC volunteers from JSS College, took part. The drive resulted in the collection and disposal of nearly 600 kg of dry waste.

Competitions held under the campaign added to the enthusiasm. The volunteer team won the first prize, Phoenix International Academy students secured the second prize and JSS College students bagged the third prize.

The event was attended by MCC Commissioner Sheikh Tanveer Asif, probationary IAS officer Sameer Prakash Khode, Zonal Commissioner E. Ramesh, Swachh Bharat campaign nodal officer and Assistant Executive Engineer K.S. Mruthyunjaya, Assistant Executive Engineer Meenakshi and other officials.

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Walkathon to promote millets

Agri Dept. hosts District-level public interaction

Mysuru, Feb.1 (MK&DM)- In order to create wider public awareness on the health benefits of millets consumption as a rich nutrient, the Agriculture Department hosted a District-level public interaction with millet crops growers and sellers at P. Kalingarao Sabha Bhavan at Dasara Exhibition Grounds in city this morning.

During the interaction, the members of the public were provided information on the benefits of millets consumption and its rich nutrition.

Earlier, as part of International Trade Fair-2026 (Organics and Millets), organised by Karnataka Agriculture Department at Bengaluru from Feb. 6 to 8, a 'Millets Walkathon' with the theme *Siridhanya Nadige - Arogyada Kadege* was taken out from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate.

The walkathon passed through the main thoroughfares in the Central Business District before culminating near the old Deputy Commissioner's office along Hunsur Road.

Over 200 millets growers, sellers and members of the public took part in the walkathon.

Joint Director of Agriculture Chandrashekar, Assistant Director B.D. Jayaram and others were present on the occasion.

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Mysuru: **Branch Manager**

BUDGET - HIGHLIGHTS

INCOME TAX

- Extended time to revise tax returns with a nominal fee.
- ITR-1 and ITR-2 filers can submit returns until July 31.
- Non-audit business cases and trusts permitted to file returns until Aug. 31.
- Returns can be updated even after reassessment proceedings are completed.
- Proposal to rationalise the prosecution framework under the Income Tax Act.

TAX

- TDS on the sale of immovable property by NRIs to be deducted by resident buyers.
- Dividend income of inter-cooperative societies is eligible for deduction under the new tax regime.
- Safe harbour threshold for IT services raised to Rs. 2,000 crore from Rs. 300 crore.
- IT services consolidated under a single category with a safe harbour margin of 15.5 percent

COMPANIES

- Launch of 'Corporate Mitras' to assist MSMEs with regulatory compliance.
- Restructuring of Power Finance Corporation (PFC) and REC (Rural Electrification Corporation).
- Tax holiday until 2047 for foreign firms establishing data centres in India to provide cloud services.
- Tax on buybacks by all shareholders to be treated as capital gains.

BANKING / INSURANCE

- Formation of a high-level committee on banking for 'Viksit Bharat'.
- Additional Rs. 2,000 crore allocation to the Self-Reliant India Fund.

SOCIAL WELFARE

- 25 crore people lifted out of multi-dimensional poverty in the past decade.
- Fish caught by Indian vessels on the high seas to be exempted from duty.

REVENUE / EXPENDITURE

- Rs. 1.4 lakh crore allocated to states as Finance Commission grants.
- Debt-to-GDP ratio projected at 55.6 percent in 2026-27 versus 56.1 percent in 2025-26.
- Fiscal deficit estimated at 4.3 percent of GDP for 2026-27.

AGRICULTURE / FARMERS

- Targeted initiatives to raise farmer incomes.
- Development of 500 reservoirs for agricultural use.
- Credit-linked subsidy programme to support animal husbandry.
- Dedicated programmes proposed for the Indian cashew and cocoa sectors.

EDUCATION

- Focus on promoting STEM education among girl students

HEALTHCARE

- Rs. 10,000 crore allocated for 'Biopharma Shakti' over 5 years
- Establishment of a network of 1,000 accredited trial sites for biopharma research
- Creation of medical hubs for AYUSH centres, diagnostic infrastructure and post-care rehabilitation

RAILWAYS / GROWTH / INFRASTRUCTURE

- Development of 7 high-speed rail corridors connecting major cities.
- Rs. 10,000 crore proposed to boost SME growth.
- 20 new national waterways to be developed over the next 5 years.
- Establishment of hi-tech tool rooms for advanced materials.
- Continued focus on infrastructure development in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities.
- Launch of a new East Coast Development Corridor.
- Customs duty exemption on nuclear power project inputs extended to all plants.

MARKETS / ECONOMY / LABOUR

- Introduction of a market-making framework to strengthen corporate bonds.
- Comprehensive review of the foreign exchange management framework.
- Foreign investors are permitted to buy Indian stocks directly.
- Capital expenditure set at Rs. 12.2 lakh crore for fiscal 2027.
- Government to continue controlling borrowings and gradually reduce deficit levels.
- Textile expansion and employment scheme to modernise textile clusters.
- Establishment of self-help entrepreneur marts as community-owned retail outlets.

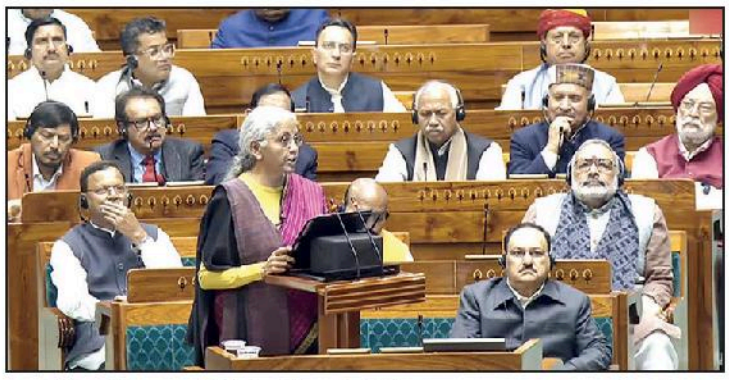
WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT / RURAL INDIA / MAKE IN INDIA

- Launch of Self-Help Entrepreneur (SHE) markets to promote women's entrepreneurship.
- Introduction of the Mahatma Gandhi Gram Samaj initiative for Khadi and handicrafts.
- Scaling up manufacturing in 7 strategic sectors.
- Rs. 10,000 crore allocated for container manufacturing scheme.
- Programme to revive 200 legacy industry clusters.

TECHNOLOGY / TOURISM

- Committee to review the impact of emerging technologies like AI on the services sector.
- Rs. 40,000 crore allocated for India Semiconductor Mission 2.0.
- Training of 1.5 lakh caregivers.
- Establishment of hubs for medical value tourism.
- Tourism to play a major role in employment generation and foreign exchange earnings.
- Creation of a new National Institute of Hospitality.

Bharat's first SUNDAY BUDGET



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman seen presenting the 9th Budget at Lok Sabha this morning. [Pic. Courtesy: Internet]

New Delhi, Feb. 1 (Agencies)- For the first time in India, that is Bharat's fiscal history, the Union Budget was presented on a Sunday.

Though weekend Budgets are not entirely new in India, a Sunday presentation has never happened before. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman tabled the Union Budget for 2026-27 in the Lok Sabha at 11 am on Feb. 1.

Earlier, the Budget used to be presented on the last working day of February. In 1999, when Feb. 28 fell on a Sunday, then Finance Minister Yashwant Sinha in the Atal Bihari Vajpayee-led NDA government presented it a day earlier, on Feb. 27, a Saturday.

The 1999 Budget was also historic because until then, Union Budgets were presented in the evening at around 5 pm. It was a holdover from British colonial practice, when timing announcements to coincide with London's daytime was considered useful.

Sinha's presentation shifted the schedule to 11 am, a change that has since become the standard time for Budget announcements in India.

Since 2017, successive Governments have presented the Union Budget on Feb. 1, moving it forward from the earlier end-February schedule.

The reform was aimed at giving Parliament adequate time to debate, approve and operationalise Budget proposals before the start of the new financial year on April 1. Because of this reform, Feb. 1, 2026, regardless of being a Sunday, has been retained, making the Sunday Budget unavoidable.

WHAT IS CHEAPER

- **MEDICINES:** 36 life-saving drugs for cancer & chronic diseases are fully exempted from basic customs duties.
- **ELECTRONIC GOODS:** Basic customs duty (BCD) will be reduced to 5 % for open cells and other components.
- **CRITICAL MINERALS:** Cobalt powder and waste, scrap of lithium-ion batteries, lead, zinc and 12 other critical minerals are exempted from BCD.
- EV and mobile battery manufacturing.
- **WET BLUE LEATHER:** Fully exempted from BCD.
- Foreign tour packages, studying abroad, microwave ovens, TV equipment, cameras, instruments imported by foreign film units for shooting and footwear
- **FROZEN FISH PASTE:** BCD reduced from 30% to 5%.
- **RAW MATERIALS FOR SHIPBUILDING:** Now exempt from basic customs duty for an additional 10 years.
- Marine products.
- Video games manufacturing parts, coffee and vending machines, biofuel mixed with CNG, aeroplane parts.

WHAT IS COSTLIER

- **INTERACTIVE FLAT-PANEL DISPLAYS:** Basic Customs Duty on interactive flat-panel displays hiked from 10 percent to 20 percent.
- Knitted fabrics
- Luxury watches and imported alcohol, fertilisers.
- Telecom equipment and plastic products.
- Cigarettes, pan masala, gutka & other tobacco products.
- Liquor, coal, scrap

'Let Hill remain a Hill'

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Large-scale construction not needed

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar clarified that while basic amenities such as drinking water, toilets and facilities for senior citizens were welcome, large-scale construction near the temple was unnecessary and disruptive. She cautioned that the ongoing works could obstruct the annual Rathotsava and inconvenience devotees.

"On one side, we have approached the Court. On the other hand, we have appealed to Goddess Chamundeshwari herself. We have brought the issue to the Government's notice, but in the absence of a response, we are fighting this legally. Ultimately, it is Chamundeshwari who must inspire the Government to stop the works," Pramoda Devi said.

Permanently altering works

Concerns were also raised about the long-term impact of the construction. Citizens said the proposed works did not appear temporary and could permanently alter the Hill.

References were made to past incidents, including the collapse of the Nandi Statue road, which took four years to repair and damage to the Rajendra Vilas Palace during earlier park-related works.

Participants maintained that Chamundi Hill already has sufficient structures and that only essential facilities, such as a health centre, should be added. They demanded that a full-fledged Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) should be conducted.

Drawing a parallel with Easter Island, environmentalist and Founder-President of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) Bhamy V. Shenoy warned of the dangers of unchecked concretisation.

"Around 1700, Easter Island was green and thriving. Due to neglect, it became uninhabitable within decades. We are facing a similar threat if we do not urgently stop and reverse concretisation," he opined.

It may be recalled that a large number of people, including environmental activists, members of citizen groups, NGOs and the public, participated in the first Save Chamundi Hill campaign held on Jan. 4.

Today's walk saw participation from Melukote MLA Darshan Puttannaiah, Maj. Gen. (Retd.) S.G. Vombatkere, historians Prof. N.S. Rangaraju and Dharmendra Kumar, Parashuramegowda of Parisarakkagi Naavu and representatives of several organisations.

'I belong to the people, not to any party'

I am not a member of any political party. I was invited to support today's programme and I took part. My husband, late Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, was with the Congress and my son, Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, is with the BJP. However, I do not belong to either party. I stand with the people. Please do not associate me with any political group. See me only as standing with the citizens.

—Pramoda Devi Wadiyar

Children's Literary Club Director Dr. R. Purnima passes away

Dr. R. Purnima

Mysuru, Feb. 1- Dr. R. Purnima (72), Director of Children's Literary Club, formerly Professor of English at Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) and a resident of 3rd Main Road in V.V. Mohalla, passed away in the early hours of today in city.

Daughter of late M. Ramarao and late Jayalakshmi, she leaves behind her sisters R. Prathiba and Prof. R. Indira (formerly Professor of Sociology, Mysore University) and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Muktidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage this afternoon, according to family sources.

Children's Literary Club (CLC), a Voluntary Organisation founded by Dr. Purnima in 1990, was contributing to the comprehensive development of children, especially the marginalised.

Thousands of programmes and a wide variety of workshops were conducted by the Club. Dr. Purnima had taken her programmes to Government and Government-aided Educational Institutions located across Karnataka, on a voluntary basis.

Conducting training workshops for teachers, young adults, adult students and scholars was part of the Club's activities, for the Director firmly believed that all were children before knowledge.

Dr. Purnima had also given 501 One-Woman Shows of the play 'Stage Chemistry: Neuro-Psychiatric Disorders on Stage.' The play was produced by Club with Concept, Script and Direction by Dr. Purnima herself. Her last show was on Jan. 13 this year.

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Nirmala Sitharaman presents Budget

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Motor accident claims

To benefit taxpayers further, any interest awarded by the motor accident claims tribunal to an individual will now be exempt from income tax and the corresponding TDS will be removed. Non-resident Indians providing capital goods to Indian companies will also enjoy income tax exemption for a period of five years.

Nirmala Sitharaman proposed changes to the tax collection at source (TCS) rates, reducing the rate on sale of overseas tour packages from 5 percent and 20 percent to 2 percent without any minimum amount.

Similarly, TCS on education and medical expenses under the Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) will drop from 5 percent to 2 percent. To make compliance easier for small taxpayers, a new rule-based automated system will allow obtaining a lower or nil deduction certificate without filing an application with the assessing officer.

Additionally, taxpayers holding securities in multiple companies will be able to submit Form 15G or 151-I to depositories, which will forward it directly to the relevant companies.

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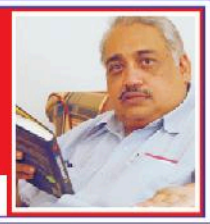

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

The best birthday gift for our cops!

I was overjoyed to learn a couple of days ago that **Dr. M.A. Saleem,** the **DG&IG** of our Police Force, has announced that all our cops will henceforth become eligible to get leave on priority, to celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries, with their families.

Nothing else could have been a better or more well-deserved gift to these hard-working and often badly overworked souls than this little gesture of love and sensitivity, coming from a man heading their fraternity.

I say this because for almost all the men and women serving us in their Khaki uniforms, their personal lives get the least or even next-to-no priority. And, this is not because they cannot be given some rest and relief, by efficiently distributing their work schedules but mostly because there never has been in place a system to ensure this, largely due to the fact that so far, no one had given even a passing thought to it.

Thankfully someone has now thought of it. And, why should I, of all persons, who is not even remotely related to or associated with the Police Department, be writing about how good it is, is only because I happen to be a practicing doctor.

Day in and day out, in the course of my routine work, I get to see many Police personnel as my patients. And, what strikes me as most unique and which sets them apart from most other patients, is that almost all their health problems and the rather poor state of their general health is due to plain stress, both physical and mental. They hardly have the time to pay any attention to this very important aspect of their lives because of some very peculiar circumstances that relentlessly drive their lives.

Firstly, they serve in a very demanding department, which is perpetually overburdened with work but badly understaffed to cope with it efficiently. Secondly, their work culture is such that every subordinate, from the lowest to the highest, is always duty-bound to obey orders implicitly, irrespective of whether they can do it comfortably or not. Doing their duty always comes first and everything else comes only after this. Although this is exactly the work culture that exists in all the armed forces too, across the world, thankfully they are not constantly overburdened with work and understaffed, although they certainly do have gruelling times that can be very demanding and even dangerous.

The mitigating factor to note here is that they are not under pressure, all through their working lives. **The third and perhaps most important reason that generates the maximum stress in Police personnel, is the abysmally poor quality of family life they lead, thanks to the very little time they have for interaction with their family members. Let alone for attending other family functions and celebrations, most of our hard-working Police personnel do not have time to celebrate their own birthdays and anniversaries with their own family members.**

For any person to stay healthy, what is required is not merely the absence of disease but the presence of some kind of relaxation, on a regular basis. Take this away and you have the perfect recipe to make any person's life miserable and that is exactly what has been happening so far. It is an established fact that a few of the most prevalent and most dangerous lifestyle diseases, like diabetes, high blood pressure, chronic gastritis, paralytic strokes and heart attacks are directly related to stress.

Ask any doctor what he or she sees most in practice and these are the diseases that stand at the forefront of the answer. But very often, while treating them, even most doctors are not able to pin the blame on the element of stress that brings them on.

Again, this is often because we doctors too, busy with our own work schedules, quickly proceed straight to the treatment of the ailments, without spending some time to talk to our patients about the good and the bad, they have in their lives. But in doing so, we are only temporarily dousing the frequent fires, without also eliminating the actual causes behind them.

While in medical college, nearly fifty years ago, ulcers in the stomach, induced by the excess secretion of the hydrochloric acid that kick-starts the digestive process, were a very common occurrence in most cases of what we then used to call Acid Peptic Disease.

Acid Peptic Disease is still just as common or perhaps even more, although we now call its many variants by many different high-sounding names, but ulcers in the stomach are not very common or much of a problem today. This is only because we have some very good medicines that can effectively suppress the excessive acid secretion that causes them.

But back then, such medicines were not available and the only way to treat stomach ulcers was to perform a rather drastic, major operation called **Gastro-Jejunostomy** that lessened the contact area between the acid and the ulcers, while nature did the actual healing.

Dr. S.S. Hussain, an emeritus professor who taught us surgery and who was one of the best surgeons in performing this operation, used to always stress in his classes: **"Stress is the most important cause for Acid Peptic Disease and these ulcers. So, if you find a small ulcer in the stomach of your patient, always look carefully for a large ulcer in the mind!"**

Nothing could be farther from the truth. Even today, it is this large ulcer in the mind, that we have to look for and eliminate, if we have to eliminate a good many of the diseases that plague the lives of our Police personnel.

This is the only approach that works and thankfully we may all begin to see it working, very soon!

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South Zone Inter-University Women's Cricket Tournament

University of Mysore storms into finals

S. Nanditha of University of Mysore seen receiving Player of the Match award from one of the guests at K.S. Rangasamy College of Technology in Tiruchengode, Tamil Nadu, yesterday.

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (VNS)- University of Mysore women's cricket team entered the finals of South Zone Inter-University Women's Cricket Tournament defeating SRM University, Chennai, by 31 runs at Tiruchengode in Tamil Nadu yesterday.

This will be the first ever time that University of Mysore women's team would be playing in the finals. The tournament organised by Anna University, Chennai, is being played at K.S. Rangasamy College of Technology in Tiruchengode.

Having put into bat first, University of Mysore, helped by S. Nanditha 47(46), B.R. Kavya 33(19), D. Ruhi 29(19) and J. Deeksha 28 (31), scored 152/3 in 20 overs.

M.D. Afrah Muskan picked up one wicket for SRM University.

In reply, SRM University only managed to score 121/6 in 20 overs. Poorvi Rajesh 26(29) and Afrah Muskan 23(31) were the top scorers for SRM University.

Meanwhile, G. Vidya picked up 2 wickets and S. Nanditha scalped a wicket for University of Mysore. S. Nanditha was also declared as Player of the Match for her all-round performance.

University of Mysore will be playing against University of Madras in the finals.

Earlier, in the quarterfinals, University of Mysore defeated the hosts Anna University by a margin of 25 runs by virtue of which they also qualified for All India Inter-University Women's Cricket Tournament to be held later this year.

Elena Rybakina wins Australian Open

Elena Rybakina of Kazakhstan (left) won the Australian Open 2026 women's title defeating world number one Aryna Sabalenka of Belarus 6-4, 4-6, 6-4 at Rod Laver Arena in Melbourne yesterday to win her second Grand Slam title. Seeded fifth in the tournament, Rybakina held her nerve despite losing the second set and came back strongly to emerge as the winner.

Fourth volume of book series on Raja Ravi Varma released

Renovated Chandrashale Thotti at Mysore Palace reopens

HHSNW Foundation Chairperson Pramoda Devi Wadiyar (centre) releasing the book 'Raja Ravi Varma: An Everlasting Imprint - The Epics Imagined' at Chandrashale Thotti of Mysore Palace last evening as (from left) HHSNW Foundation Hon. Secretary Reginald Wesley, Raja Ravi Varma's descendant Rama Varma, book author Ganesh V. Shivaswamy and Designer Ashwath Naroth look on.

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (PM&BS)- Fourth volume of the book series 'Raja Ravi Varma: An Everlasting Imprint - The Epics Imagined,' authored by Advocate Ganesh V. Shivaswamy, was released under the aegis of HH Sri Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar (HHSNW) Foundation, at renovated historic Chandrashale Thotti at Mysore Palace last evening.

Foundation Chairperson Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, who released the book, said, after a gap of 50 years, Chandrashale Thotti auditorium is being inaugurated through the book release event. It's a matter of immense joy, as the very auditorium shall be utilised to host such events henceforth.

Author Ganesh Shivaswamy said, the book consists of paintings related to epics like Ramayana and Mahabharata. The first ever painting of 'Droupadi' by Raja Ravi Varma, can be seen displayed at Jaganmohan Palace Art Gallery. The book series is mainly intended at re-analysing the paintings of Raja Ravi Varma.

The book centred around the paintings, also lays emphasis on its creative ability, preparations made and the way it engages with the viewers. The book series will be of total six volumes, that runs up to 2,142 pages and 2,100 paintings. The paintings published in the first series of the book is focused on evolution of the artist. One can understand, how Raja Ravi Varma sharpened his nuances in painting, by lending a creative touch to whatever he witnessed and understood the available information. The second series of book relates to how Ravi Varma, using the aid of technology, reached the masses, while the third series of book sheds light on the pictures of divinity, explained Ganesh. As said earlier, the fourth series contains information on Ravi Varma's paintings inspired by the epics Ramayana and Mahabharata.

"Ravi Varma and Mysore Palace shared an everlasting bond, as first and last painting of 'Droupadi' by the former, can be seen in Jaganmohan Palace Art Gallery," said Ganesh Shivaswamy.

Rama Varma, a descendant of Raja Ravi Varma from Kilimanoor Palace in Kerala and designer of the book series Ashwath Naroth, also spoke on the occasion. Mysore Palace Board Dy. Director T.S. Subramanya was present.

Sanchalana Mysuru's week-long Decennial Celebrations begin

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: *Former Rangayana Director H. Janardhan is seen inaugurating Decennial Celebrations of Sanchalana Mysuru at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises last evening as Social Activist Shivalingaiah, Shaktidhama Vidyashala Head Usha, DIET Mysuru Lecturer B.N. Nalinakshi and Deepak Mysore of Sanchalana look on; Sachchidananda Acharya presenting a flute recital. Students of Shaktidhama Vidyashala staging the play 'Kempu Hu.' The week-long celebrations, featuring plays and folk performances, will conclude on Feb. 6.*

Mysuru-Kushalnagar Railway Line

Efforts will be made for project revival: Yaduveer

'Karnataka cited financial constraints and conveyed reluctance to share costs'

Mysuru, Feb. 1 (BLU&VNS)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has assured that he will work towards reviving the shelved Mysuru-Kushalnagar railway line project.

Yaduveer

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* yesterday, he said that the project was scrapped following an assessment by the Railway Department, which concluded that it was not feasible due to low traffic potential and poor financial returns.

He said that the Secretary to the Government, Department of Infrastructure Development, Ports and Inland Water Transport, had written a letter on Nov. 29, 2024, to the Chief Administrative Officer (Construction), South Western Railway, stating that the Karnataka Government did not concur with the proposal to take up the Mysuru-Kushalnagar new railway line under a cost-sharing model.

The letter pointed out that the State Government was already spending Rs. 5,757.27 crore on the implementation of nine railway projects, of which Rs. 2,235.61 crore had been released, while Rs. 3,521.66 crore was yet to be released.

It also noted that the State Government was bearing the full cost of land acquisition for seven projects. Given this financial burden, the letter stated that priority should be given to completing the ongoing projects and that the Mysuru-Kushalnagar railway proposal could therefore be deferred.

> The project would have commenced much earlier if the State Government had handed over the land to the Railways, as the Centre had already released funds. Both the State and the Centre need to work in coordination. As a representative of Kodagu, I will hold discussions with the authorities, as the people of Kodagu need a train facility.
>
> **—Yaduveer Wadiyar, Mysuru-Kodagu MP**

It may be recalled that Mudit Mittal, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of South Western Railway, Mysuru Division, had earlier this month confirmed to *SOM* that the proposed 87.2-km Mysuru-Belagola-Kushalnagar railway line had been shelved due to low traffic potential and poor financial returns.

The project had been sanctioned by the Ministry of Railways at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,854.62 crore, with the Centre allocating Rs. 1,000 crore during the 2022-23 Budget.

KPCC Spokesperson refutes MP's claims on shelved railway line

Madikeri, Feb. 1 (PS&DM)- Alleging that Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar is making false charges against the State Government over the Mysuru-Kushalnagar railway line, KPCC Spokesperson M. Lakshmana maintained that the State Government has completed the land acquisition process for executing the 87-km Mysuru-Kushalnagar railway project.

Lakshmana

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Lakshmana said that the Railways had shelved the Mysuru-Kushalnagar railway project after finding it economically unviable.

"When this is the case, the MP is unnecessarily and unfairly targeting the Congress-led State Government by claiming that the project was delayed due to land acquisition issues," he said.

He further alleged that several projects in Mysuru have remained stalled since Yaduveer Wadiyar was elected MP two years ago. "Out of the 236 taluks in the State, 80 taluks — including all five taluks of Kodagu district — have been deprived of a railway network," he pointed out.

Claiming that the Rs. 46 crore infrastructure development project atop Chamundi Hill has been in limbo, Lakshmana said that the proposed Cancer Centre in Mysuru is yet to come up and that plans for the expansion of Mysuru Airport have also not taken off.

He urged the MP to bring out a white paper detailing the projects he has brought to the Mysuru-Kodagu Lok Sabha Constituency.

WORD OF THE DAY

Fiduciary

Pronunciation: fuh-DOO-shee-air-ee (adjective).

Meaning: Fiduciary is a formal word describing something relating to or involving trust, such as the trust between a customer and a professional.
Origin: Fiduciary relationships are often of the financial variety, but the word fiduciary does not, in and of itself, suggest pecuniary ("money-related") matters. Rather, fiduciary applies to any situation in which one person justifiably places confidence and trust in someone else and seeks that person's help or advice in some matter. The attorney-client relationship is a fiduciary one, for example, because the client trusts the attorney to act in the best interest of the client at all times. Fiduciary can also be used as a noun referring to the person who acts in a fiduciary capacity and fiduciarily or fiducially can be called upon if you are in need of an adverb. The words are all faithful to their origin: Latin fidere, which means "to trust."
Example: "Banks and brokerage firms hold a fiduciary responsibility to protect their customers, including from scams." —Carter Pape, American Banker, 11 Aug. 2025

THE ODD WORD

Farouche

Wild; unpolished.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Finding your feet

Meaning: When you use the term 'Finding your feet' you mean that someone is becoming confident in a new situation.
Origin: No one is certain where the expression 'Finding your feet' originates. If you have ever seen a newborn animal working its way to a standing position, you might understand why this expression is one that has been around in various forms since ancient times.
Example: "You've only been working here a few days, but you really are finding your feet!"

QUOTE BOX

True knowledge is not attained by thinking. It is what you are; it is what you become. **—Sri Aurobindo**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: High-minded.

SUDOKU

1		3			2			4
			7				5	3
		2		4				
				9		1	6	
			2		6			
	7	9		1				
				5		4		
2	3				8			
4			1			7		8

Answer to previous puzzle

4	7	9	1	2	8	5	3	6
8	6	5	4	9	3	1	7	2
3	1	2	7	5	6	9	8	4
1	4	6	9	8	5	3	2	7
7	9	8	3	4	2	8	1	5
5	2	3	6	1	7	4	9	8
9	5	1	8	7	4	2	6	3
6	8	4	2	3	9	7	5	1
2	3	7	5	6	1	8	4	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 __ de plume : a writer's pen-name?
4 One Caribbean republic
8 Ind. Bankers Assoc.
11 Numerical prefix
12 Egg-shaped
14 Hefty sandwich
15 He is or he has contracted ?
16 Lawful colloquially speaking
17 Old time movie Anokhi ___
18 Greek cheese
20 Lew ___ : Aussie tennis great ?
22 Ms Bhatt of Bollywood
24 Tell on
26 SI unit of power
27 Iliad, Mahabharat, et al. ?
28 Walsh and O'Neill
29 Gives out
30 An insect
33 Strong smelling vapour or gases
34 Unit of heredity
35 Mersey peninsula
37 Single entity
38 Exchange fee
39 Eye complaint
41 Above ground level
42 Artist ___ Picasso
45 Cheat
48 Modern: pref.
49 Prankish spirit
50 Roman bronze - "sea" change?
51 International Standards Organization
52 Sweeney ___ : The Demon Barber of Fleet Street
53 Large Scale Integration, abbr.

DOWN

1 Last in a long line
2 Raw metal
3 Persons who are badly adjusted to their environments
4 Young horse
5 Eye part
6 Purse or a satchel
7 Air Transport Indicator
8 SF writer Asimov
9 ____ International Circuit: Indian GP venue
10 Arab sleeveless garment
13 Morals
19 Devour or consume
21 Off. Training Sch.
22 Reverential fear
23 Young boy
24 Salesman's patter
25 Eggs of insects
27 Jane Austen heroine
29 One of Jupiter's moons
30 Film maker Shyam ____
31 "One", as a prefix
32 Acquire or receive
33 Sixth day of the week, in short
34 Chap
35 Carries on war etc.?
36 Eskimo dwelling
39 Arctic transport
40 Related or narrated
41 Black bird
43 Work of a painter or a sculptor
44 Prefix meaning "life"?
46 Affirmative
47 Pounds per sq in.

FRIDAY'S ANSWER

C	L	X		L	A	K	E			D	I	G
S	I	R		A	L	O	N	E		R	D	I
A	B	A		R	A	I	D	S		E	L	S
		Y	O	K	E			C	O	D	E	
V	E	I	L			C	L	O	U	D	S	
L	A	N	D		A	L	E	R	T			
F	U	G		T	R	E	A	T		C	R	I
			B	A	I	R	N		D	U	A	L
	A	N	O	R	A	K			O	R	A	L
	H	O	B	O			E	A	S	T		
L	E	I		T	R	I	L	L		A	A	G
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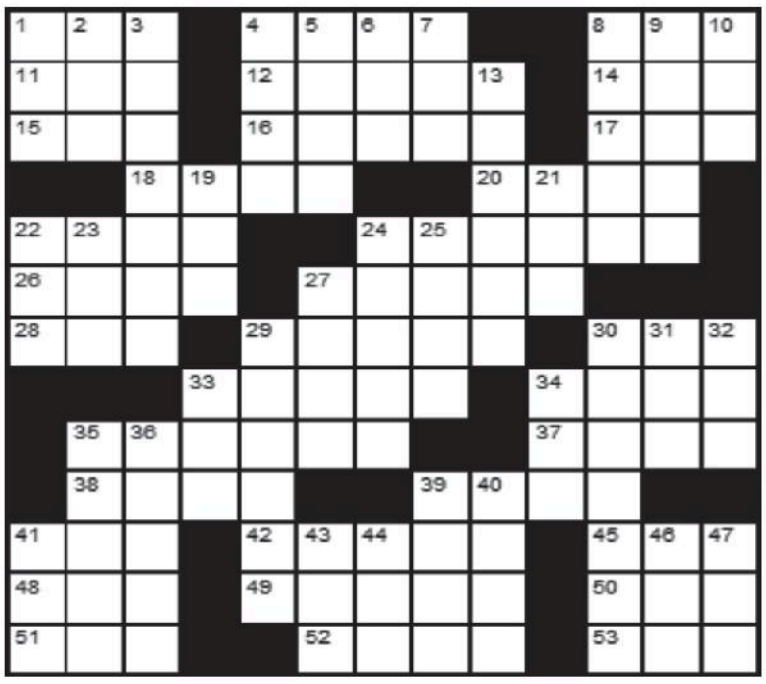

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

DKB LQBSDBED DBED ZA FZWQSLB ZT BSQDK XE

DZ JBSQ HBABSD VXDKZWD MZEXTL KBSQD.

TODAY'S CLUE: L EQUALS G

Friday's Cryptoquip: The strongest man in the world is he who stands most alone.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Cult (2026) (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Mankatha (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Landlord (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  45 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Landlord (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Mavuta (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Raktha Kashmira (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Draupathi 2 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Border 2 (H) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422 4241800

Mardaani 3 (H)	(S-1)	10.10 am, 7.05 pm, 10 pm
Cult 2026 (K)	(S-1)	1 pm
Send Help (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.30 pm; (S-2) 9.55 pm
Valavaara (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Mavuta (K)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
Gandhi Talks (Ta)	(S-2)	4.15 pm, 7.05 pm
Raktha Kashmira (K)	(S-3)	10.35 am
Seat Edge (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Sri Jagannatha Dasaru Part 2 (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Chowkidar (K)	(S-3)	7.15 pm
Valathu Vashathe Kallan (Ma)	(S-3)	10.15 pm
Landlord (K)	(S-4)	12.30 pm, 3.35 pm
Border 2 (H)	(S-4)	6.40 pm, 10.30 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 2973519

Raktha Kashmira (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 6.50 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	(S-1)	3.55 pm
Prakambanam (Ma)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
Border 2 (H)	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 7.30 pm
	(S-3)	9.15 pm
Cult (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm, 6.10 pm
Landlord (K)	(S-4)	1.20 pm, 4.25 pm, 7.30 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Mardaani 3 (H)	:	9.05 am, 1.05 pm, 3.45 pm 7.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	9.10 am, 11.50 am, 3.50 pm 6.05 pm 10.30 pm
Raktha Kashmira (K)	:	9.10 am, 6.30 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	10.05 am
Send Help (E-3D)	:	10.45 am, 3.35 pm, 10 pm
Shelter (E)	:	11.25 am, 7.45 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	12.30 pm, 10.25 pm
Mayasabha - The Hall of Illusion (H)	:	1.15 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	1.50 pm
Valavaara (K)	:	2.10 pm
Landlord (K)	:	3.50 pm, 7.05 pm
Prakambanam (Ma)	:	4.40 pm
Gandhi Talks (Silent)	:	5 pm
Valathu Vasathe Kallan (Ma)	:	7.25 pm
Marty Supreme (E)	:	10.10 pm
Chatha Pacha: The ring of Rowdies (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Border 2 (H)	:	9.25 am, 12.50 pm 3.50 pm 10.30 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	9.45 am, 3.35 pm, 6.55 pm
Send Help (E-2D)	:	9.50 am
Send Help (E-3D)	:	7.30 pm
Mardaani 3 (H)	:	10.05 am, 1.05 pm, 4.45, 7.45 pm 10 pm
Landlord (K)	:	12.20 pm, 10.15 pm
Raktha Kashmira (K)	:	12.50 pm, 10.20 pm
Chowkidar (K)	:	4.10 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	7.10 pm

EVENTS TODAY (FEB. 1)

- **Samskruthi Trust, Mysuru:** Nada Nrutyotsava, Nrityagiri Director Dr. Kripa Phadke inaugurates, actor Sushma Nanaiah, Samskruthi Founder-Trustee D. Chaya and B.M. Ramachandra of Sri Rajeshwari Vasthralankara chief guests; Dance programme 'Snigdha Madhusudana' by students of Samskruthi Academy of Performing Arts & Research Centre, Music University, Ballal Circle, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Seva Pratishtana:** 'Tingala Tilivu' lecture programme, music programme by Lalitha Sangeetha Shale, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Folk Scholar Dr. P.K. Rajashekar delivers lecture, Paramahamsa Dhyana Kendra, Ramakrishna Circle Ground Floor, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust:** 39th Purandara & Tyagaraja Aradhana, vocal concert by Prerana Praveen, Roopanagudi Ratna Teja on violin, Shubhang Samaga on mridanga & B.R. Vidyashankar on ghata, Alwar Kala Bhavan, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Kala Sandesha Prathishtana:** 'Nruthyopasana 2026' Bharatanatyam Festival, a solo Bharatanatyam performance by Vid. R. Pavan Kumar, grand Bharatanatyam dance-drama 'Saptha Nadi Namana,' choreographed by Vid. Sandesh Bhargav and Anusha Varun, and performed by his disciples along with the students of Anusha Varun, Sindhu Niranjan and M.T. Vasundhara, conceptualised and scripted by Dr. Jyothi Shankar, it will be presented by a distinguished ensemble of Bharatanatyam artistes — Anusha Varun, Sindhu Niranjan, Akshatha Pramod, Shilpa Kantharaju, Vasundhara, Dr. Gunasheela Harsha, Lavanya Nagesh, Dr. Poornima Yathiraj, Dr. Prarthana, Vandana, Harshini Iyer, Shravya, Nithyashree, T.C. Bhoomika and Richa Dev, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ellammambha Chandraguptambha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** 79th Jathra Mahotsava, Sri Deviyavara Utsava, **6 pm;** Uyyalotsava, Sri Ellammambha Chandraguptambha Temple, Mandi Mohalla, **8.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Moonlight Music, vocal concert by Pt. M. Venkatesh Kumar, accompanied by Narendra L. Nayak on harmonium and Pt. Keshav Joshi on tabla, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**
- **Sanchalana Mysuru, Mysuru:** Sanchalana Decennial Celebrations, Bharatanatyam by Krishne School of Dance; Staging of play 'Vishajwale' by Sanchalana Mysuru, directed by Deepak Mysore, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira, **6 pm.**
- **Rangayana:** Play 'Vigada Vikramaraya' by students of Bharatiya Rangashikshana Kendra, directed by Saliyan Umesh Narayan, Vanaranga, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Subramanyaswamy Temple, Vishweshwaranagar:** 60th Annual Taipusam Mahotsava 2026, Srivalli Devasena Sametha Sri Subramanyaswamy Utsava in silver chariot along with cultural troupes, Temple premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana:** Play 'Iddaga Nimdu Kaddaga Namdu' by Rangaratha, Bengaluru, directed by Aasif Kshathriya & Shwetha Srinivas, Natana, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Swarasankula Sangeeta Sabha, Mysuru:** Violin concert by Prachet Raj Kaje, Dakshina Kannada, Pt. Ramesh Dhannur on tabla, Swaradhara auditorium, KSRTC Layout, H.D. Kote Road, Mysuru, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special training sessions to perform Saraswati Puja by Swami Hamsananda, Sri Prasanna Mahaganapati Temple, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 7.15 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**
- **Sri Jwalamukhi Tripurasundari Temple:** Annual Jatra Mahotsava, Kanyakannadi Utsava, Punyaha Mantapotsava, Temple premises, Uttanahalli, **8.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB. 2)

- **Sri Ellammambha Chandraguptambha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** 79th Jathra Mahotsava, Sri Satyanarayana Puja, **10 am;** Sri Deviyavaru will be brought down from Uyyale, Sri Ellammambha Chandraguptambha Temple, Mandi Mohalla, **7 pm.**
- **Abhivruddhi:** Silk India-2026, a grand display and sale of exquisite silk, cotton and handloom sarees, Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry, Vinobha Road, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sri Subramanyaswamy Temple, Vishweshwaranagar:** 60th Annual Taipusam Mahotsava 2026, Anna Santarpane, Temple premises, **12 noon.**
- **Sri Jwalamukhi Tripurasundari Temple:** Jatra Mahotsava, prasada viniyoga, Temple, Uttanahalli, **12.30 pm.**
- **Elder Citizens Council, Jayalakshmipuram:** Monthly series of Health Talk, lecture on 'Naturopathy Treatment' by Dr. H.L. Nanjesh Gowda of Ambara Wellness Clinic, Bogadi, Mysuru, Dr. H.M. Nagaraju, President of the Council, presides, Sarswathi Samudaya Bhavana, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Rajarajeshwari Nilaya, K.R. Mohalla:** Sri Yellamma Thayi Ammanavara 22nd Puja Mahotsava, Special Puja, Prasada Viniyoga, Sri Ammanavara Sri Rajarajeshwari Nilaya, K.R. Mohalla, **6 pm.**
- **Shree Nataraja Performing Arts Centre (SNPAC), Mysuru:** Inauguration of 'Manjira Mahotsava-2026,' 3-day Annual Cultural Festival, Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote, Vice-Chancellor, KSGH Music & Performing Arts University, inaugurates, H.R. Bhagavan, Secretary, Hari Vidayala and Mahathi Vijayprakash, Creative Director, VP Culture Club and Partner at Dvaar Music, chief guests, noted danseuse Dr. Kripa Phadke, Founder-Director of Nrityagiri Academy of Performing Arts and Research Centre, Mysuru and M.K. Balaraju, President, SNPAC, will be present, **5.45 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Vid. Dr. T.S. Sagar, Tumakuru, **6 pm;** Mohiniyattam by Kalamandalam Suchithra Anil, Mysuru, Ganabharathi's Ramagovinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar, **7.30 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** 39th year's Purandara and Tyagaraja Aradhana, veena recital by Rakshitha Ramesha, accompanied by K. Vishnuvardhana on mridanga and Karthik Pranav on morching, Sri Vinayaka Temple, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Sanchalana Mysuru, Mysuru:** Sanchalana Decennial Celebrations, folk songs by Namma Raga troupe; Staging of play 'Du - Rodhana' by Vruttiranga troupe, Bengaluru, directed by Ganapathy Gowda, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Border 2 (H)	:	9 am, 3.40 pm 6.35 pm, 10.20 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	9.40 am, 12.30 pm, 6.40 pm
Mardaani 3 (H)	:	9.45 am, 12.55 pm, 3.55 pm 7.35 pm, 10 pm
Send Help (E)	:	10.05 am, 4.05 pm
Raktha Kashmira (K)	:	12.35 pm, 10.10 pm
Amruthaanjan (K)	:	12.55 pm
Landlord (K)	:	3.55 pm, 10.30 pm
Sri Jagannatha Dasaru: Part 2 (K)	:	7.10 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

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Seat Edge (K)	:	1.45 pm
Valathu Vasathe Kallan (Ma)	:	4 pm
Chowkidar (K)	:	4.25 pm
Vikalpa (K)	:	8 pm
Chatha Pacha: The Ring of Rowdies (Ma)	:	10 pm
Prakambanam (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

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Music, discourse

Mysuru, Feb. 1- As part of its Aananda-Aarogya programme, Dixit Aarogya Dhaama, Mysuru, has organised a Karnatak Flute Recital Concert by Vid. K. Bhaskaran at #12, Main Road, C-Block, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, today (Feb. 1) at 6 pm. He will be accompanied by Nandan Bhaskaran on mridanga.

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